

REMARKS

Claims 1-17 and 22-46 are canceled without prejudice. Claims 47-52 are added. Claims 18-21 are amended. Claims 18-21 and 47-52 are pending in the application.

Allowable Subject Matter

In the present Office Action, the Office objected to claims 18-21 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but otherwise indicated that the claims, if rewritten in independent form, would be allowable. Applicant thanks the Office for the indication of allowable subject matter.

As indicated by the above amendments, claims 18-21 have been rewritten in independent form to include all of the subject matter of claim 17. As such, these claims are now in allowable form. In addition, claims 47-52 have been added and depend from allowable claims. These claims should be summarily allowed.

As the present application contains only claims directed to allowable subject matter, Applicant respectfully solicits allowance of the application and furtherance onto issuance.

It is to be appreciated that Applicant has amended the claims to place them in condition for allowance so that the public may benefit from issuance of a patent containing these claims. Applicant's amendment is in no way to be construed as an admission of the propriety of the Office's rejections of the canceled claims. As such, Applicant reserves its right to further prosecute the canceled claims in a continuation application.

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